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A SHAPED PART FOR THE )  
PRODUCTION OF A TURBINE BLADE )

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 2,919,470;

U.S. Patent No. 4,987,944;

U.S. Patent No. 5,673,743;

DE 195 06 145;

DE 24 53 090;

DE 27 54 231;

DE 30 17 041;

DE 2 360 339; and

EP 0 036 273.

Also submitted herewith is a Search Report/Examination Report issued in a corresponding foreign patent application by the German Patent Office.

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search report or action which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is being submitted herewith.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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